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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kari AASBØ et al. : Attn: **BOX PCT**

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A NEW SILAGE AID, PROCESS FOR  
PREPARING THIS SILAGE AID AND USE  
OF THIS SILAGE AID

[Corresponding to PCT/NO00/00079

Filed March 6, 2000]

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

**Page 1, after the title of the invention, please insert:**

*A1*  
This application is a 371 application of PCT/NO00/00079 filed March 6, 2000.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims ~~3-7~~ and 10-11 as follows:

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3. (Amended) Silage aid according to claim 1, wherein the short chain carboxylic acid is formic acid of concentration 60-100%, preferred 83-98%.

4. (Amended) Silage aid according to claim 1, wherein the short chain carboxylic acid is acetic acid or propionic acid of concentration 60-100%, preferred 80-100%.